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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. Hutchinson introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Armed Services

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. NOTIFICATION AND REPORTING REQUIRE-
- 4 MENTS REGARDING WAIVER OF THE BERRY
- 5 AMENDMENT LIMITATION.
- 6 (a) ANNUAL REPORT.—(1) After the end of each fis-
- 7 cal year, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to Con-
- 8 gress a report on the waivers of the limitation on use of

- funds set forth in section 9005 of Public Law 102-396 (popularly known as the "Berry amendment") that were 3 granted under any provision of law during that fiscal year 4 for procurements made by the Defense Logistics Agency 5 for the military departments. 6 (2) The report for a fiscal year shall include the fol-7 lowing: 8 (A) The number of waivers. 9 (B) For each waiver— 10 (i) the reasons for the waiver; 11 (ii) the date of the notification of the mili-12 tary department concerned under subsection (b); and 13 14 (iii) a description of the items procured 15 pursuant to the waiver, together with the
- amount of the procurement.

 (C) The number of instances in which the Secretary of Defense waived the notification require-
- ment under subsection (b).
- 20 (b) Notification.—(1) Not later than 14 days be-
- 21 fore grating a waiver of the limitation referred to in sub-
- 22 section (a)(1) for a procurement to be made by the De-
- 23 fense Logistics Agency for a military department, the Sec-
- 24 retary of Defense shall transmit to the Secretary of the

- 1 military department a notification of the determination to
- 2 waive the limitation.
- 3 (2) The Secretary of Defense may waive the applica-
- 4 bility of the notification requirement under paragraph (1)
- 5 in any case in which the Secretary determines that a delay
- 6 of the procurement to satisfy the requirement is not con-
- 7 sistent with a need to expedite the procurement in the na-
- 8 tional security interests of the United States.
- 9 (c) System for Data Collection.—The Secretary
- 10 of Defense shall establish a system for—
- 11 (1) monitoring the granting of waivers of the
- limitation referred to in subsection (a)(1); and
- 13 (2) recording the waivers and the reasons for
- the waivers.
- 15 (d) Definition.—In this section, the term "waiver",
- 16 with respect to the limitation referred to in subsection
- 17 (a)(1), means a determination authorized under section
- 18 9005 of Public Law 102-396 that a particular procure-
- 19 ment is covered by an exception provided in that section.

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